# **Moffett Creek Trail #430**



### **Recreation Opportunity Guide**





**Trail Highlights:** This trail is in the Mark O. Hatfield Wilderness Area. The trail has superb views of Mount Hood. There are campsites along the trail making backpacking possible.

**Trail Description:** This trail begins at Tanner Creek Trail #431 (1,320') and ends at Forest Road 2000-222 (3,560') near Nesmith Point. The west end of this trail can be reached via Nesmith Point Trail #428. The east end of this trail can be reached via Tanner Creek #431 From the south end of #431, the trail drops to Tanner Creek (hazardous during high water). After fording Moffett Creek, the trail climbs steeply for the next 2 miles to Von Ahn Rim on the western edge of Tanner Creek Canyon. The views from here are outstanding. The trail turns west and passes a small pond with a number of small campsites after a further 1.4 miles. From the pond the trail continues for 0.3 mile and crosses a powerline access road. From the powerline the trail gradually drops to McCord Creek, climbs over a small ridge and drops again to a second fork on McCord Creek after 0.9 mile. After another gentle climb and 1.3 miles the trail reaches Nesmith Point Trail #428. Visitors can return the same way or make a 18.3 mile loop and return via Nesmith Point Trail #428.

## **Regulations & Leave No Trace Information:**

For example, 3 people riding their own horse plus a spare horse in the group for packing would make a group of 7.

#### **Leave No Trace**

- Plan Ahead and Prepare: Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies.
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces: Use established trails and campsites.
- Dispose of Waste Properly: Pack out all trash, leftover food and litter.
- Leave What You Find: Avoid introducing or transporting non-native species.
- Minimize Campfire Impacts: Use established fire rings & keep fires small.
- Respect Wildlife: Control pets at all times.
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors: Avoid loud voices and noises.

For information on *Leave No Trace*, go to <u>www.LNT.org</u> or call 1-800-332-4100

#### For current trail conditions and more recreation information go to:

http://www.fs.usda.gov/mthood

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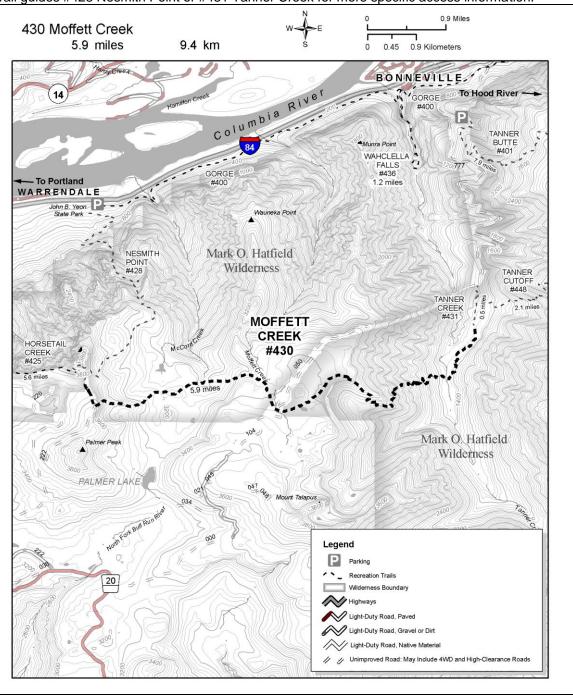
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**Directions to Trailhead:** Via Nesmith Point Trail #428 - Eastbound I-84 - Take Historic Columbia River Highway Ainsworth State Park exit #35. Turn left towards Warrendale, then turn right onto Frontage Road. Continue east 2.3 miles to the parking area at John B. Yeon State Park.

Via Nesmith Point Trail #428 - Westbound I-84 - Take Warrendale exit #37. Follow Frontage Road and take the freeway underpass. Turn left onto the Frontage road 0.3 miles to John B. Yeon State Park. See trail guides #428 Nesmith Point or #431 Tanner Creek for more specific access information.



Recommended maps: Hood River Ranger District

